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SUBJ: AID TO CAMBODIA

1. CHATCHAI TOLD ME THIS MORNING THAT HE EXPECTS IENG
SARY TO VISIT THAILAND SOON AND THAT THE RTG WOULD LIKE
TO HELP CAMBODIA WITH FOOD, POL AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS.
HE SAID HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH YOU THE POSSIBILITY OF
THE U.S. PROVIDING THIS ASSISTANCE INDIRECTLY. QTE YOU
WOULD HELP US THROUGH THE FRONT DOOR AND WE WOULD PASS
IT TO THE CAMBODIANS THROUGH THE BACK DOOR UNQTE.

2. I SAID IT WAS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE US LEGISLATION
WITH REGARD TO AID TO LAOS, CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM WAS
CATEGORIC. THAI LAUNDRIES WERE EXCELLENT BUT I DIDN'T
THINK THIS LAUNDERING OPERATION WOULD WORK AND I
DIDN'T THINK YOU WOULD SUPPORT SUCH A SCHEME.

3. CHATCHAI CONCEDED THAT YOU HAD BEEN NEGATIVE
BUT HAD SAID THAT IF THE RTG HAD ANY SPECIFIC
PROPOSALS WE WOULD ALWAYS LISTEN. I SAID THAT I WOULD
PASS THIS MATTER ON TO YOU BUT THAT I COULD NOT
IMAGINE HIS RECEIVING AN AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE.

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